

# Supervisor Romaine Announces Brookhaven Town's Free Residential and Small Business Paper Shredding Events on April 26 and 27

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**Farmingville, NY** - Brookhaven Town Supervisor Ed Romaine has announced that residents and small businesses can clean out their file cabinets, attics, and storerooms and safely discard of old letters, medical forms, and financial records by bringing them to the Town's Materials Recycling Facility on Friday, April 26 for small businesses and residents and on Saturday, April 27 for residents only. Both events will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Brookhaven Town Materials Recycling Facility is located at 350 Horseblock Road in Brookhaven.

"Our shredding events have become very popular in the last few years," said Supervisor Romaine, "Not only do they encourage recycling, they are also a safe and secure way to dispose of private documents, protecting residents and businesses from identity theft. I commend our Department of Waste Management for organizing these events and encourage everyone to participate."

Councilman Tim Mazzei, who serves as the Town Board Liaison to the Department of Waste Management, said "Residents and small businesses should take advantage of this great opportunity to get rid of old documents in a secure and environmentally conscious manner. I'm a small business owner myself, so I understand the need for an event such as this."

Documents brought to the shredding event will be dumped into a 65-gallon container and then into the shredder, enabling each participant to witness the secure destruction of sensitive papers. Paper can be brought in boxes or bags. Documents can remain stapled together, but paper clips and other metal must be removed along with any other contaminants such as rubber bands. The massive mobile shredder is provided by Hudson-Baylor, the company that manages the Town's Material Recycling facility. The shredder can efficiently shred large volumes of records in minimal time, while preserving security. Hudson-Baylor retains the first 7000 lbs. of shredded paper and the Town gets the rest, which is baled and sold at market.

Space is limited, so small businesses must first register by calling 631-286-8551 Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. For more information about recycling in the Town of Brookhaven, go to [www.brookhaven.org](http://www.brookhaven.org).

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